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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: NAMIBIA: APPROACH IN PEKING

REF: STATE 89799

1. USLO OFFICER MET WITH EMBOFF'S OF OTHER FOUR MEMBER OF CONTACT
GROUP APRIL 8 PRIOR TO RECEIPT OF REFTEL TO DISCUSS FRENCH
PROPOSAL FOR JOINT DEMARCH TO MFA ON NAMIBIA.

2. UK, FRG AND CANADIAN EMBOFF'S WERE ALL SOMEWHAT HESITANT TO
INCLUDE USLO REP IN GROUP APPROACH TO MFA BELIEVING THAT THIS
MIGHT DETRACT FROM BASIC MESSAGE AND FOCUS CHINESE ON QUESTION
OF TREATING USLO AS EQUAL TO OTHER DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS. FRENCH,
NEVERTHELESS, PRESSED VERY HARD FOR COLLECTIVE DEMARCHE LED BY
AMBASSADOR ARNAUD AS SENIOR REPRESENTATIVE OF THE FIVE.
FRENCH THOUGHT THAT IF MFA REFUSED TO RECEIVE
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GROUP REPRESENTATION, THEN SEPARATE APPROACHES COULD BE
MADE WITH NOTHING LOST IN THE PROCESS. USLO PROPOSED AS
FALL BACK APPROACH TO BE MADE BY FRENCH ALONE SPEAKING
IN BEHALF OF GROUP AS A WHOLE.

3. ALL FIVE AGREED IN PRINCIPLE THAT NO MATTER HOW APPROACH
WAS DELIVERED, MFA WOULD BE GIVEN COPY OF BASIC PROPOSAL TO SC,

EXPLANATORY WRITTEN MESSAGE AND ORAL ARGUMENT UNDERLINING
COST TO PRC INTERESTS IN RECENT PAST OF DISORDERLY TRANSITION
TO INDEPENDENCE FOR AFRICAN STATES.

4. TENTATIVE PLAN IS TO ASK MFA MORNING
APRIL 10 FOR APPOINTMENT THAT DAY AT VICE MINISTERIAL LEVEL.

5. REPRESENTATIVES OF GROUP PLAN TO MEET AGAIN 1800 APRIL 9
TO REVIEW WHATEVER INSTRUCTIONS ARE RECEIVED OVER WEEKEND.
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